

Camden Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2010

5:15pm

Present: Molly Mulhern, Ray Andresen (chair), Beth Ward, David Olivas, Brian Robinson, Ed Libby and Jeff Kuller.

EXCUSED: Sharon Gilbert

ABSENT: Duncan Matlack

Ray opened the meeting at 5:25pm

Molly moved to accept the October 13, 2010 meeting minutes; Brain seconded it, all in favor.

Committee Reports

RMRA Redevelopment: nothing new to report. Committees are gearing up to meet again to review budgets.

US National Toboggan Championships™: Ray reported that the committee is meeting every two weeks. Tom Crowley has taken on the sponsorships for the event. Ray reported that the committee voted against having a beer tent at the event and to keep it family oriented. The committee is interested in having more activities for children.

Megunticook Riverwalk: Ray reported that the Riverwalk Committee applied for a grant from the Recreational Trails Program with work to hopefully be done by the Maine Conservation Corps. Parks and Recreation department will weed whack the trail in the mean time.

Megunticook Rowing: Ray will ask for an annual report.

Other Business:

Financial Report: Jeff reported that season pass sales are still ahead of last year's and could be on track for a record.

Jeff reported that because of last year's surplus (net income) several projects are moving forward. New jackets for Maintenance, upgrade the electrical drive on the chairlift, changing the light switch for slope lights, more lights on lower level of Terrain Park, new trail signs, new ski patrol toboggan, and a large investment in rental equipment including many new front buckle ski boots and a new snowboard boot/binding system.

Football/Lacrosse Field Condition: policy tabled

Ski and Snowboard Scholarships: Applications are due December 3 at 3:30pm.

Shared- Use Trail: Jeff has met with Ian from CMLT and Richard Stetson from the CHRHS Nordic Team to find a way to create a temporary route on Snow Bowl property to access the Coastal Mountains Land Trust Nordic trail for this season.

Glades: Jeff reported that there have been two new glades created so far this fall. One is next to the terrain park and the other is between Spinnaker and Northeaster trails. This has been suggested to be named "Connie's Glade" in memory of Connie Conover, who's memorial service was on the day the glade was cut. Connie was a friend of the Snow Bowl, all four of his children's families ski, volunteer and/or work at the Snow Bowl, and he asked that contributions in his memory be made to the Ragged Mountain Recreation Area Foundation for the redevelopment project.

Strategic Plan: Tabled.

Upcoming Events:

Program info night November 17

Ski Swap November 20 & 21

All staff training December 11

Molly moved that the meeting be adjourned, David seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously at 6:45pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 8 at 5:15pm in the WSCR

Minutes recorded by Beth Ward.